

Michigan e-Transcript Initiative Information for Staff



Overview

This document provides high school and postsecondary institution faculty and staff a general introduction to the Michigan e-Transcript Initiative and the Docufide Secure Transcript TM service offered at the school.

Michigan e-Transcript Initiative

The State of Michigan's Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) has partnered with Docufide, Incorporated to offer the Michigan e-Transcript Initiative. Under this initiative, Docufide supplies electronic transcript exchanges through its Secure TranscriptTM service. The State of Michigan provides this program to all public and private/independent Michigan high schools and postsecondary institutions at no cost to either the students or the schools. The FERPA-compliant (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act) service allows a student or alumni to send a transcript and other supporting admission documents from his/her high school or college to more than 4,000 other colleges and universities nationwide, as well as to third-party destinations.

Docufide

Docufide is the leading provider of educational records management services. Its flagship service, Secure TranscriptTM, manages the ordering, processing and secure delivery of student records for K-12 and postsecondary institutions nationwide. Docufide, Incorporated is headquartered in Los Angeles, California, with representatives throughout the United States.

Benefits of the Docufide Secure Transcript TM Service

- Transcripts are processed electronically for your school for delivery to any destination nationwide.
- Electronic transcripts allow online tracking and delivery notification.
- Reduced staff time and material costs result in financial savings and allow staff to focus on other needs.
- The request process is streamlined for both current and alumni students.
- Comprehensive reporting is built into the system for all authorized administrators. Reports are available for sent transcripts with a robust set of search criteria and export capability to Excel for further analysis.
- Transcripts can be requested online 24 hours a day/seven days a week through the school's Web site or the Michigan College Access Portal (MichiganCAP).
- Students are automatically notified when transcripts are processed and received, reducing the need to contact a staff member at the school.
- Transcripts are quickly delivered to Michigan and nationwide colleges and scholarship programs.

How the System Works

- To send a transcript, a student or alumni goes to the Michigan E-Transcript link on his/her school's Web site or the Michigan College Access Portal (MichiganCAP), completes a one-time five-minute registration and identifies the desired transcript recipient(s).
- The system promptly processes the order and notifies the sending school's administrator of the request via e-mail. The sending school's administrator retrieves the student's transcript from the school's student information system and "prints" it to Docufide's Secure Transcript™ printer (this printer is a software download that a school staff member installed on the school's computer which processes transcripts). Docufide then delivers the transcript to the receiving destination(s) in the acceptable format for the receiving destination.
- The receiving destination is notified via e-mail that a transcript is available for download (if an electronic recipient). The receiving destination's administrator logs into the Docufide system and downloads the

- transcript. If the receiving destination is not yet an electronic recipient, the transcript is delivered via US mail and instructions are provided for how to become an electronic recipient.
- The requester is notified via e-mail every step of the way: 1) when his/her transcript request is received by Docufide, 2) when the sending school's administrator process the request and 3) when the receiving school's administrator downloads the transcript.

How to Become a Receiver

- 1. Go to https://securetranscript.docufide.com/ri. Provide information for primary and backup contacts at your institution.
- Choose the PDF format. Once registration is complete and validated by Docufide, you can go into
 your account Preferences and change your format and delivery methods to PESC XML, TS130 EDI
 or SFTP/WSDL auto delivery.
- 3. Begin receiving transcripts electronically.

How to Become a Sender

For a postsecondary institution to become a sender of electronic transcripts:

- 1. Visit Docufide's <u>customer support page</u> and indicate:
 - a. the primary contact's name, title, phone number and e-mail address
 - b. the name of your institution's current student information system
- 2. Docufide will then provide the primary contact a service agreement and an Excel form via e-mail.
- 3. Provide the necessary contact information on the Excel form and e-mail it back to Docufide.
- 4. Review and sign the service agreement. Fax or mail it back to Docufide. Installation cannot begin until Docufide has received the signed agreement.

For a high school to become a sender of electronic transcripts:

- 1. Go to http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html.
- 2. Click on the "High School Registration" link.
- 3. Click on the District (for public schools) or Independent Schools (for private schools) registration link for the Michigan e-Transcript Initiative and search for your school name.
- 4. Provide primary e-Transcript contact information.
- 5. Review and accept the Service Agreement.

Once the registration is complete, the software installation instructions are sent to the identified contacts (it is simple and quick – like downloading a driver for a new printer). Docufide's training and promotional materials are also provided. The entire installation and training process usually takes one hour or less. Once the software has been installed on the computers which process the transcripts, the school's administrator uploads a file containing a handful of transcripts to Docufide's processing center to serve as test files. This is done to ensure all fields used in the school's transcript are included in the transcript template. Once the installation and test process is complete, a link to the service (provided by Docufide) is placed on the school's Web site. The school is now considered "live" and able to send electronic transcripts.

Services Available to Staff

Docufide offers three online staff training webinars depending on your level of involvement with the service. For more information on these webinars and scheduling, view the Staff Training Webinars link on the CEPI e-Transcript Web site at http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html.

In addition to transcripts, the Docufide service enables staff members to send Electronic Secondary School Reports (eSSR), also known as Guidance Counseling Pages. Once the student makes the online transcript request, the eSSR notification is e-mailed to the staff member who is responsible for sending these admissions documents. The Advanced Secure Transcript Training discusses how to use this feature.

The Reporting feature is also very beneficial to staff members. Staff members can import a variety of search criteria to view the number of transcripts sent by a particular student, a date range, a recipient, the year of

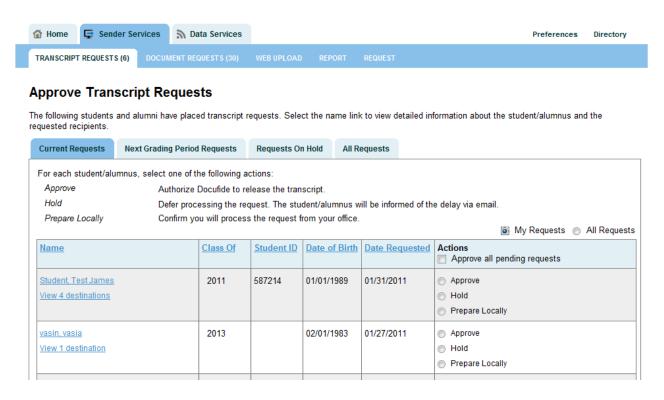
graduation, etc. All results are in real-time and can be exported into Excel for further analysis. The Advanced Secure Transcript Training discusses how to use this feature.

Contact Information

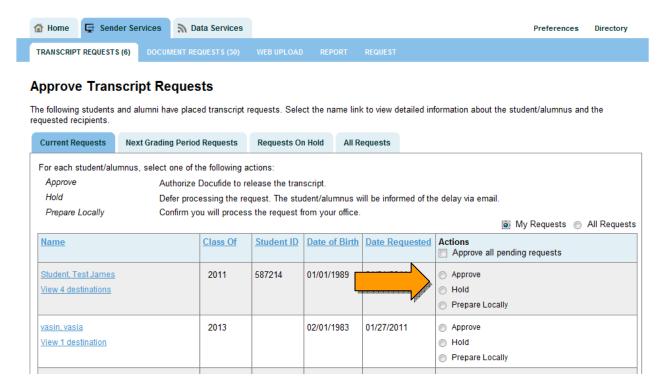
Please visit the CEPI e-Transcript Web site at http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html for more information on the initiative. If you have questions pertaining to the registration process and technical support, contact Docufide via their customer support page. If you have questions regarding the Michigan e-Transcript Initiative, please contact CEPI at CEPI@michigan.gov or call (517) 335-0505 and follow the prompts.

Sending a Transcript Electronically

<u>Step 1:</u> Once the transcript request is received by Docufide, an e-mail message is sent to the administrator at the school notifying the administrator that a transcript request is received, to log into his/her Docufide account to process the transcript and to send the transcript electronically to Docufide. After logging into your Docufide account, a to-do list will appear. This lists all students who have made a transcript request that need to be processed.



Step 2: To process the transcript request, three options exist: 1) Approve, 2) Hold and 3) Prepare Locally.



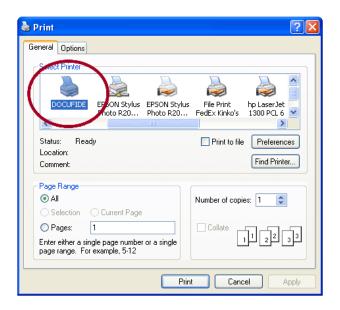
- 1) <u>Approve</u> the administrator at the school will process the request and send the transcript electronically to Docufide.
- 2) <u>Hold</u> the administrator at the school is not able to send the transcript at this time for reasons such as the student owes library fees or a grade is changing on the transcript. An e-mail message will be sent automatically to the student letting him/her know the transcript has been placed on hold.
- 3) <u>Prepare Locally</u> the administrator at the school wishes to send the paper transcript to the destination outside of the Docufide Secure TranscriptTM service. An example of when to use this feature is when alumni request transcripts not available electronically.

By clicking on the student's name, administrators can drill down to see more information on the student, view the valid e-mail and see where the student is requesting a transcript to be sent.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name	Email Address	Class Of	Birth date	Student ID	SSN (last 4 digits)		Gender						
Student, Test James	kurt@test.com	2011	01/01/1989	587214	1234		М						
The student requested documents to the following destinations:													
TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS													
Recipient	Address	Requestor	Delivery Method	Date Requested	DID#	Honors	Transcript Type						
Twitter	1234 pyramid lane Cairo, 987456	Student	U.S. Mail	01/31/2011	T466GLD		Current Transcript (Transcript (Initial))						
Egypt	Twitter 123 pyramid lane cairo, 987452	Student	U.S. Mail	01/31/2011	T466F5A		Current Transcript (Transcript (Initial)						
asdsadd	123@abc.com	Student	Electronic Delivery	01/28/2011	T46330B		Current Transcript (Transcript (Initial)						
Docufide Institute of Technology	Office of Student Affairs 473 Post. St. Camarillo, CA 93010	Student	Electronic Delivery	01/ 18/ 2011	T4L99HE		Current Transcript (Transcript (Initial)						

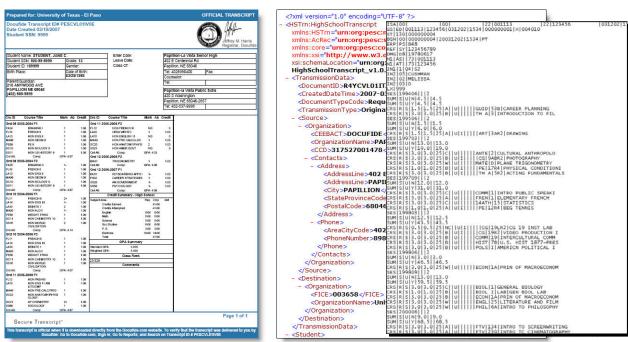
<u>Step 3:</u> Upon request approval, the administrator at the school will go into the school's student information system, select the transcript and "print" it using the Docufide printer. This printer captures the existing transcript report through an HTTPS connection, encrypts the data and securely delivers it to Docufide's data center for delivery to the student's selected destination(s). Records can be uploaded individually or in a batch file.



Transcripts are delivered in a PDF, XML or EDI format, depending on the receiving destination's preference. The administrator at the school does not need to worry about the format; Docufide handles those details.

PDF

PESC/SIF XML, TS130 EDI



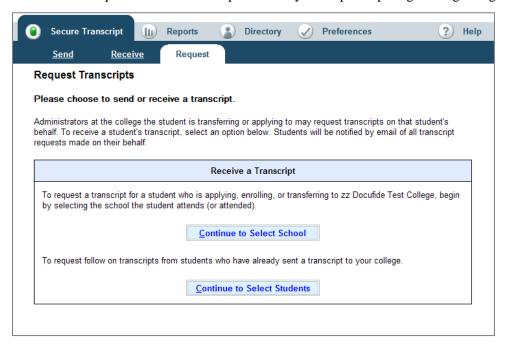
This completes the transcript sending process. For more detailed information, including the student request process and the steps performed by the administrator at the receiving destination to complete the transcript exchange, view the CEPI Web site at: http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html.

Additional Included Service Features

For information on how to use the additional features of the Docufide Secure Transcript TM service, please register for an online training webinar provided by Docufide by sending an e-mail via their <u>customer support page</u>.

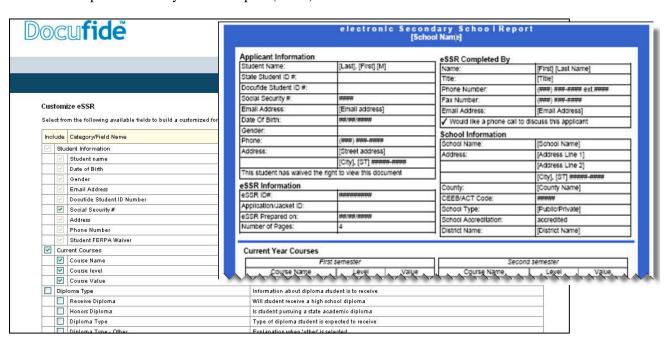
Request Transcripts

College and university administrators can request mid-year or final transcripts on an applicant's behalf. High school administrators can also request transfer transcripts from any other participating Michigan high school.



Electronic Secondary School Reports

Each registered college or university can determine the information to be included in the Electronic Guidance Counselor Report/Secondary School Report (eSSR).

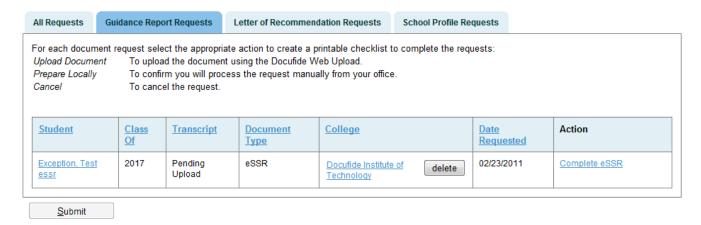


eSSR requests are initiated when students request transcripts. The administrator can log into his/her Docufide account and access the online to-do list for the eSSR requests. The administrator completes the report online.

Process Document Requests

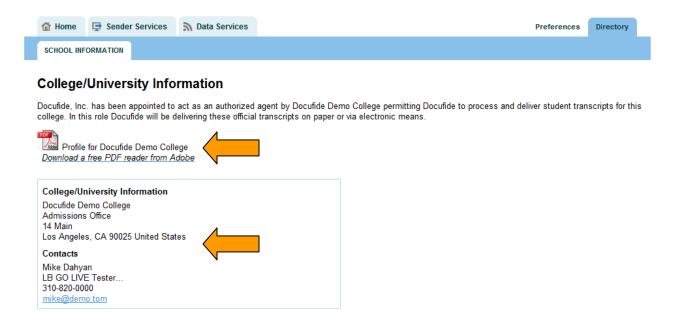
The following document requests are awaiting action. Select a student's name to view detailed document request information, including transcript requests.

For colleges registered to receive eSSRs, select Complete eSSR for a student to complete and submit the online Secondary School Report for that student. To cancel an eSSR request, select the Delete link next to the college; the college will be informed that the eSSR will not be completed online. Search for students that have placed a transcript request to add an eSSR request for a student, or prepare an eSSR for a student whose transcript was not requested through Secure Transcript.



Directory

School contact information and profiles are available online for all participating colleges and high schools.



Reports

Real-time reports are available for sent or received transcripts, with results exportable to Excel for further data analysis.

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Documents Sent Use any combination of the fields below to search for a particular student, document type, or range of documents. To request an eSSR for a student, check the "View only students that placed transcript requests without associated eSSR requests" checkbox.													
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Educating Students and Parents

Resources

Docufide provides:

- 1) School staff members with a Welcome Kit, which contains:
 - Set-Up Guide
 - Docufide Overview
 - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
 - Marketing Materials
- 2) Three online training sessions for staff members depending on their level of involvement with the service.
- 3) Ongoing account management and customer service with Docufide staff available to answer administrator questions and student/parent questions.

Suggested Promotion

- Add the Michigan E-Transcript link to the school's Web site in multiple places such as the home page, the guidance counseling page, the student page and the alumni page.
- Distribute student flyers containing information on the Docufide e-Transcript service at open houses, senior night and college information sessions.
- Update the student handbook to include information on the Docufide e-Transcript service.
- Send a letter to all staff at the school and parents announcing the Docufide e-Transcript service.
- Use regular school communications to promote the Docufide e-Transcript service such as the school newspaper, newsletters and e-mails.

Best Practices

- Have students complete the 5-minute online account registration early in the school year as an introduction to the Docufide e-Transcript service. This will enable you to use the Docufide service to process high school to high school transcript transfers.
- Remind students to complete the online registration using their full name as it appears on the transcript. If they do not know this information, look this up for them.
- Encourage access to the Docufide e-Transcript service at the school by providing computer access in the school's office for students to use when requesting a transcript, post notices in the computer lab and during computer courses and have registration kiosks at open houses.
- Encourage students to use the Docufide e-Transcript service to eliminate walk-up or paper transcript requests.
- Use the administrative reporting feature built into the Docufide service to view usage and the impact e-Transcripts have at your school.
- Show students and parents where additional information is located on the CEPI Web site (http://www.michigan.gov/cepi/0,1607,7-113-54112---,00.html) such as a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document, the Michigan school registration status report and a presentation on how to use the Docufide e-Transcript service.
- Show students, alumni and parents where the Welcome Screen is located when they log into their Docufide account. Let them know that your school may post messages for them on this screen.
- Inform students, alumni and parents as to the fees associated with certain transcript requests and how your school wants them to handle these.
- Encourage students to use the Application ID import function. Colleges and universities highly recommend that students import this ID if known.